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Via ECFS Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

## Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1

Dear FCC,

Residential consumers like me will be profoundly affected by the elimination of broadband competition being proposed by USTelecom. I use Sonic - who uses unbundled copper and inter-city fiber transport elements (UNEs) to compete in the residential marketplace.

Sonic, other carriers, and a full economic study all disagree with USTelecom on this key point.

Sonic residential subscribers like me do exist, and we would be "materially affected". In fact, those effects would be profound; without access to UNE services, Sonic wouldnt have been able to connect consumers while we build our fiber networks, nor fund the construction of our fiber networks. And once fiber networks are built, UNEs are still used they connect from city to city and are the key backhaul for all of our fiber networks.

I will be materially affected in a profoundly negative way if this petition is granted. I rely on Sonic services, and that I oppose this petition.

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